Update #1 Delaware State Police Arrest a Millsboro Man for Murder- Bridgeville

Bridgeville, DE- Delaware State Police arrested a Millsboro man Wednesday night on murder and related charges after he shot his ex-wife as he fired multiple rounds into her residence.

On December 22, 2021, at approximately 6:18 p.m., troopers were dispatched to the 11000 block of Abbys Way, for a reported shooting. The investigation revealed **Ronald Donaway,74**, of Millsboro, responded to the residence which was occupied by his 70-year-old ex-wife and her 23-year-old grandson. While outside, Donaway began shooting with a rifle into the windows of the living room, kitchen, and bedrooms. The 70-year-old female was struck by gunfire in the kitchen where she died from her wounds. As Donaway was shooting into the residence, the grandson fled out a bedroom window to escape and was uninjured. The suspect then entered the home for a short period of time before fleeing the area in a black Kia. As troopers were responding to the scene, a traffic stop was conducted on Donaway's vehicle at the entrance of the community and he was taken into custody without incident.

Ronald Donaway was transported to Delaware State Police Troop 5 and charged with Murder First Degree (Felony), Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a Felony (Felony), Home Invasion (Felony), and Reckless Endangering First Degree (Felony). He was arraigned at Justice of the Peace Court #3 and committed to Sussex Correctional Institution in default of a \$900,000.00 cash bond.

This incident remains under investigation by the Delaware State Police Homicide Unit. Anyone with information to assist

with the investigation is asked to contact Det. Mark Csapo by calling 302-741-2729 or emailing mark.csapo@delaware.gov.

<u>Delaware State Police Conducting Criminal Investigation-Bridgeville</u>

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